

recruitment of the persons with disabilities is concerned. The Government have also taken other measures to promote socio-economic rehabilitation of the persons with disabilities by providing soft-loans and micro-credit through National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) for self employment and grants to NGOs for vocational training and placement. The Ministry of Labour is implementing the Scheme of Vocational Rehabilitation Centres (VRC), through which disabled persons are assessed for residual ability and provided appropriate training for economic rehabilitation. There are 17 VRCs in the country.

Hostels for SC students

3052. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of hostels for scheduled caste students actually constructed during 1998-99, State-wise and U.T. wise;

(b) whether utilization certificates for the completion and proper utilization of funds previously sanctioned received from them; and

(c) if not, the action taken to ensure that scheme for hostel facilities for SC boys and girls are actually implemented by the concerned State and UT Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid down to the table of the House.

Inclusion of Tarkhan in SC Category in H.P.

3053. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the Communities which have been included in the Scheduled Caste category in Punjab and Himachal Pradesh, separately;

(b) whether Government have received a communication from the Government of Himachal Pradesh for inclusion of Tarkhan in the Scheduled Caste category on the pattern of inclusion of Badhais in that category by Punjab Government; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Details have been given in the enclosed Statement (*See below*).

(b) and (c) Proposal for inclusion of Tarkhan in the list of Scheduled Caste for Himachal Pradesh has been referred back to State Government for clarification in accordance with modalities approved. No time frame can be assigned for the present as consultations are necessary with a number of agencies.

Statement

Constitution (Scheduled Castes) order, 1950

(A) (Part III-Rules and Orders under the Constitution)

Part XIV-Punjab

1. Ad Dharmi	19. Kabirpanthi, Julaha
2. Balmiki, Chura, Bhangi	20. Khatik
3. Bangali	21. Kori, Koli
4. Barar, Burar, Berar	22. Marija, Marecha
5. Batwal	23. Mazhabi
6. Bauria, Bawaria	24. Megh
7. Bazigar	25. Nat
8. Bhanjra	26. Od
9. Chamar, Jatia Chamar, Rehgar,	27. Pasi
Raigar, Ramdasi, Ravidasi	28. Perna
10. Chanal	29. Pherera
11. Dagi	30. Sanhai
12. Darain	31. Sanhal
13. Deha, Dhaya, Dhea	32. Sansi, Bhedkut, Manesh
14. Dhanak	33. Sansoi
15. Dhogri, Dhangri, Sigg	34. Sapela
16. Dumna Mahasha, Doom	35. Sarera
17. Gagra	36. Sikligar
18. Gandhila, Gandil, Gondola	37. Sirkiband.

(B) Part VI.-Himachal Pradesh

1. Ad Dharmi	28. Hali
2. Badhi, Nagalu	29. Hesi
3. Balmiki, Bhangi, Chuhra, Chura, Chuhre	30. Jogi
4. Bandhela	31. Julaha, Julahe, Kabirpanthi, Keer
5. Bangali	32. Kamoh, Dagoli
6. Banjara	33. Karoack
7. Bansi	34. Khatik
8. Barad	35. Kori, Koli
9. Barar, Burar, Berar	36. Lohar
10. Batwal	37. Marija, Marecha
11. Bauria, Bawaria	38. Mazhabi
12. Bazigar	39. Megh
13. Bhanjra, Bhanjre	40. Nat
14. Chamar, Jatia Chamar, Rehgar, Raigar, Ramdasi, Ravidasi, Ramdasia, Mochi	41. Od
15. Chanal	42. Pasi
16. Chhimbe, Dhobi	43. Perna
17. Dagi	44. Phrera, Pherera
18. Darain	45. Rehar, Rehara
19. Darai, Daryai	46. Sanhai
20. Daule, Deole	47. Sanhal
21. Dhaki, Toori	48. Sansi, Bhedkut, Manesh
22. Dhanak	49. Sansoi
23. Dhaogri, Dhuai	50. Sapela
24. Dhogri, Dhangri, Sigg	51. Sarde, Sarera, Sarare, Siryare, Sarehde
25. Doom, Doomna, Dumna, Dumne, Mahasha	52. Sikligar
26. Gagra	53. Sipi
27. Gandhila, Gandil, Gondola	54. Sirkiband
	55. Teli
	56. Thathiar, Thathera.
